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Dear Dick:

Both your letters of May 5 arrived earlier this morning. No I am not playing games but was delighted to learn the contents of your letter about the empties.

I have had eight of these guns and the empties could have been fired in any six of them; however, most of my shooting was done from two guns which I no longer have. At present I have only one gun, the others beingsold or given to my lawyers. Have fired only 12 rounds in my present gun and these were for purposes of blasting out dents at your suggestion.

The cartridge cases, prior to these 12, were instantly revocered by my 12 year old boy and they are distributed among all of the children of our block. Yes, I did pull the bullets from 100 rounds for purpose of weighing them and then only about 80 or so were reseated. The primers of some were subsequently discharged and others were extracted by a friend who used them to pratice unseating and seating primers in live and dead rounds. In selecting the empties forwarded to you I only inspected to exclude Italian ammunition and Norma ammunition to be sure you received all W C C ammunition. If you want more empties I will be delighted to send them but I do not know their history.

When your Professor of Pathology, Doctor Benscome, visits I will be delighted to give him some Italian ammunition and a few W C C rounds. Can also give him a M-C gun (not model 91/38 allegedly used by Mr. Oswald. Let me know on these points.

In recent letter Harold indicated you might visit Washington. If so alert me soon as possible. I may have to make a trip to New York and it might be possible to get together in Washington. Enclosed is copyright form for a lecture. Presume Canadian forms are similar and such copyright is valid in U.S., U.K., etc.

cc:Harold

Sincerely, Jim